

Call for Papers

2026 Federal Reserve Stress Testing Research Conference

The conference will be held at the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston on November 5 and 6, 2026

Paper Submission Deadline: Monday, June 15, 2026

The Federal Reserve invites researchers to submit stress test-related academic research papers to be considered for presentation at a conference. The conference will provide a forum for researchers in academic and policy institutions to discuss important topics, methods, and challenges related to stress testing for financial institutions and the financial system.

Background

Stress testing has become a key tool for evaluating the resilience of banks and the financial system. The Federal Reserve conducts annual supervisory stress tests of large US banks, and similar frameworks have been adopted internationally. The broad adoption has also led stress testing to become a more prominent risk management tool for financial institutions. As new risks emerge, stress testing should remain responsive to the evolving financial landscape. Achieving this requires engagement with the latest developments in research and policy.

For more information, please visit the website below, which also has links to prior conference agendas including 2025: [2026 Federal Reserve Stress Testing Research Conference - Federal Reserve Bank of Boston](#)

Conference Format

The conference will be held in person, at the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston.

The conference will consist of presentations of academic research papers. Some of the paper presentations will be followed by discussions.

With the authors' approval, the papers presented at the conference may be made available to the public on the website of the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston.

Paper Submission Topics

The conference will consider high quality research papers broadly related to stress testing. Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- The economic and macroprudential effects of stress tests and bank regulation
- Novel approaches to modeling bank profitability, financial risks, and operational risks
- Design and applications of stress scenarios and reverse stress testing
- Nonbank credit intermediation, such as from nonbank financial institutions, private credit, business development companies, and their interactions with stress testing
- Financial instruments for risk transfer, such as hedges and synthetic securitizations, and their implications
- Recent developments in bank regulation
- The impact of emerging technologies on banks and their regulators

Paper Submissions

We invite authors to submit papers or extended abstracts to StressTestingConference@frb.gov by **Monday, June 15, 2026**. Complete papers are strongly encouraged. Extended abstracts should include a description of the motivation for the research question, the method and data used to study the question, and key results. Submissions will be reviewed by the organizing committee, and authors whose papers have been accepted to the conference will be notified around early August. We expect to have limited funding to help cover travel expenses for paper presenters and discussants from academic institutions. Please direct all questions to StressTestingConference@frb.gov.

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